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TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 6028

INFO AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BEXP, SA

SUBJECT: U.S. WATER RESOURCES TM

REF: STATE 248441

1. EMBASSY APPRECIATES INFO REFTEL. IN VIEW HIGH PROSPECTS FOR SUBJECT TM IN ASIR PROVINCE BASED ON RECENT VISIT BY EMBOFF, WE SUGGEST THAT IT WILL PROVIDE EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY BREAK NEW GROUND WHERE CURRENT POTENTIAL IS GREAT (SEE EMBASSY'S A-109) BY VISIT TO ABHA JANUARY 9-10 AFTER ONE DAY STOP IN JIDDA. RECEPTION CAN BE GIVEN JIDDA DAY OF ARRIVAL IF EARLY ENOUGH AND TRIP TO ABHA COULD FOLLOW ON JANUARY 8. PROVINCE HAS OWN FIVE-YEAR PLAN AND ADMINISTERED BY AGGRESSIVE FOWARD LOOKING GOVERNOR, PRINCE KHALED BIN FAISAL. SEVENTY-THREE DAMS PLANNED. COE PROJECT AT KHAMIS MUSHAIT TO SUPPLY COMPLETE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM FOR NEW CITY IS ESTIMATED TO COST HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.

2. ONLY COMPETITORS TRAVELING THIS HIGHLY PROMISING AREA NOW ARE JAPANESE AND KOREANS. LOCAL OFFICIALS COMPLAIN ABOUT LACK OF U.S. INTEREST AND BUSINESS VISITORS TO AREA. TM WILL BE FIRST OF ITS KIND, BUT TARGET IS EXCEPTIONALLY APT.

3. SUGGESTED SAUDI ARABIAN ITINERARY IS AS FOLLOWS:

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DEPART RIYADH 1630 HRS FLT SV 909 JAN 9
ARRIVE ABHA 1755 HRS

DEPART ABHA 1830 HRS FLT SV 832 JAN 11
ARRIVE JIDDA 1930 HRS

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